

Can I Be In This Program?

You should apply for the program if you meet the following criteria:

- Have/had a Social Security determined disability (SSI or SSDI);
- Are 18-64 years of age;
- Are employed;
- Have countable income up to 300% of the federal poverty level (in 2007, this income limit for an individual is about \$30,000; and for a couple is about \$40,000); and
- Have resources of less than \$10,000. In addition, the first \$4,000 dollars in a retirement account does not count toward the limit.



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Maryland Medical Assistance Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program

*Marylanders
with
Disabilities
Can Work,
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What is the *Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program?*

The Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program extends Medical Assistance health benefits to working Marylanders with disabilities.

Also known as the Medicaid Buy-In, this program lets you return to work and keep your health benefits by paying a small fee.

You can make more money or have more resources in this program than in other Medicaid Programs in Maryland.

The State recognizes that individuals with disabilities have many skills to offer in the workplace. Maryland is proud to extend this benefit to aid you in your efforts to achieve your professional goals.

What Health Benefits Can I Get?

All Medical Assistance services are covered. You can go to any fee-for-service Medical Assistance Provider.

Services include but are not limited to:

- Inpatient and outpatient care,
- Mental health services,
- Physician and clinic visits,
- Prescription drugs, and
- Personal care services in the home and work place.

You can have Medicare or private health insurance benefits, and still be in the Employed Individuals with Disabilities Program.

How Long Can I Be In the Program? What Do I Have to Pay to Be In the Program?

The enrollment fee to participate is \$75 for six-months of health coverage. If you can't pay the fee, you may request that the fee be waived.

If you lose your job due to illnesses or for reasons beyond your control, the Employed Individuals with Disabilities health benefit can be continued for up to four months.

How Do I Apply?

There are several ways to get an application form:

- 1) Have an application mailed to you by calling the EID call center:

Voicemail: 1-866-373-9651

TTY: 1-866-373-9652

- 2) Download the form off the Internet:
www.dhr.state.md.us/fial/forms.htm

- 3) Go to your local Department of Social Services and request an application for Medical Assistance.

Please include the following with your application:

- \$75 enrollment fee in the form of a check, money order, or hardship waiver,
- Proof of employment, and
- Social Security number.

Mail the packet to:

MCHP-Premium

P.O. Box 179032

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Once you send your packet, you can call the Eligibility Determination Unit at **1-410-767-7090** to check on your application.